

June 18, 2010

The Glastonbury Town Council
2155 Main Street
Glastonbury, CT 06033

Re: Town Manager's Report

Dear Council Members:

The following will keep you up-to-date on various topics.

1. Magnet School

The Town Plan & Zoning Special Permit is approved for the new Glastonbury-East Hartford Magnet School building. All local approvals are now in place. Pending final State review and approvals, the project is ready to proceed to Phase I demolition late summer or early fall, followed by bidding and construction of site and building improvements.

2. Federal Grant

Glastonbury participated in a multi-town (14) grant application for Federal funding through a \$60 million ARRA allocation available on a nation-wide basis. The application, including Glastonbury, is entitled "Neighbor to Neighbor Energy Challenge" and designed to assist business and residential customers reduce energy use by 20+/-%. Other communities participating in the application include Bethany, Cheshire, East Haddam, East Hampton, Lebanon, Mansfield, Portland, Ridgefield, Weston, Westport, Wethersfield, Wilton and Windham. Each is a Connecticut Clean Energy community as is Glastonbury. Grant awards were announced on Friday, June 11th with 20 grants awarded on a nation-wide basis. I am pleased to advise the Connecticut application is among the 20 awards for a grant totaling \$4.17 million for the 14 communities.

Glastonbury will work with the other communities and the Connecticut Clean Energy Fund to implement grant programs. To be among 1 of only 20 grants awarded nation-wide is quite an accomplishment for the partnership.

3. Slocomb Mill (former)

In accordance with previous discussions, the Town commissioned a Historical Analysis of the former Slocomb Mill structure located off Matson Hill Road and purchased by the Town. As a next step, the Town will work with Schoenhardt Architects and its historical consultants to develop a plan for removal of the structure in coordination with historical preservation, as applicable. I expect the planning and specification phase to proceed in cooperation with Schoenhardt over coming weeks with bidding and removal of the structure in fall 2010. Supplemental funding could be required as more information is developed.

I will be happy to review the preceding and any other items Tuesday evening.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Johnson
Town Manager

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